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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence

SUBJECT : Support to the IRG/NEA

1. Papers and agenda for IRG/NEA meetings and reports of the IRG to the SIJ are often received in OER too late for comment and not infrequently, after the meetings have taken place. A list of examples is attached.

2. As you know, these papers are received in the DDP and transmitted to OER through OCI channels. It is our impression that in some instances the IRG sets unreasonably short deadlines for the review of papers, and we recognize that the urgency of certain policy decisions may compress the time available for deliberation. We have not detected any delay in OCI's transmittal of these papers, but it does appear that in numerous instances papers are held up for some reason or other in the DDP.

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3. I understand [REDACTED] is also concerned by these delays. You may want to raise this with Tom Karamessines at one of your Friday meetings.

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Attachment:

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